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REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING	MM/DD/YY A	ND ENDING	12/31/18 MM/DD/YY
A. REGISTR	ANT IDENTIFICAT	TION	
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:		OFF	ICIAL USE ONLY
Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer, ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINE 1308 Dallas Road		x No.)	FIRM I.D. NO.
The state of the s	No. and Street)		
Chattanooga	TN	3740	5
(City)	(State)	(Zip	Code)
NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSO	ON TO CONTACT IN R	EGARD TO THIS I	REPORT
Charles W. Bikas		(423) 2	265-4353
		(Area Code	- Telephone Number
B. ACCOUN	FANT IDENTIFICAT	<b>FION</b>	
Rubio CPA, PC  (Name - if individed in the control of the control	e opinion is contained in		
2727 Paces Ferry Road SE, Ste 2-16		<u>Georgia</u>	30339
(Address)	(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)
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Certified Public Accountant			
Public Accountant			
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\*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See Section 240.17a-5(e)(2)

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### **OATH OR AFFIRMATION**

I,	_Cha	Arles W. Bikas , swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my
knov	wledge a	and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of
	Au	vanced Strategies Broker Dealer, LLC , as
of		December 31, 2018, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that
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class	sified sol	lely as that of a customer, except as follows:
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i	(b)	Statement of Financial Condition.
1	(c)	Statement of Income (Loss).
1		Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.
1		Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietors' Capital.
		Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.
- 1		Computation of Net Capital.
1	(h)	Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
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		Rule 15c3-1 and the Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit
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Į	( (k)	A Reconciliation, between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with
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Ļ		A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report
	(n)	A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.

<sup>\*\*</sup>For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer LLC
Financial Statements
For the Year Ended
December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018
With
Independent Auditor's Report

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

2727 Paces Ferry Road SE Building 2, Suite 1680 Atlanta, GA 30339 Office: 770 690-8995 Fax: 770 838-7123

## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Member of Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer, LLC

### Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer, LLC (the "Company") as of December 31, 2018, the related statements of operations, changes in member's equity, and cash flows for the year then ended and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2018, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audit we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement to the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis of our opinion.

#### Supplemental Information

The information contained in Schedules I, II and III has been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of the Company's financial statements. The supplemental information is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our audit procedures included determining whether the information in Schedules I, II and III reconciles to the financial statements or the underlying accounting and other records, as applicable, and performing procedures to test the completeness and accuracy of the information presented in the accompanying schedules. In forming our opinion on the accompanying

schedules, we evaluated whether the supplemental information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with 17 C.F.R. §240.17a-5. In our opinion, the aforementioned supplemental information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2012.

February 22, 2018 Atlanta, Georgia

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### Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer LLC Statement of Financial Condition December 31, 2018

ASSETS	
Cash	\$12,063
Prepaid Expenses	256
Accounts Receivable	2,417
Total Assets	\$14,736
	LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY
LIABILITIES	
Due to Member	62
Total Liabilities	62
MEMBER'S EQUITY	14,674
Total Liabilities and Member's Equit	\$14,736

<sup>.</sup> The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

# Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer LLC Statement of Operations For the Year Ended December 31, 2018

REVENUES		
Mutual Fund Fees	\$	6,073
Commissions	\$	2,650
Fees from Brokers		6,137
Total Revenues		14,860
EXPENSES		
Commissions		1,237
Occupancy		565
Communications		2,722
Other Operating Expenses		10,941
Total Expenses	***************************************	15,465
NET LOSS		-\$605

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

### Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer LLC Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended December 31, 2018

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Loss to Net Cash Provided by Operations: Net Loss Decrease in Accounts Receivable Decrease in Prepaid Expenses Decrease in Due to Member	(\$605) 1,847 160 (25)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$1,377
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Member contributions	1,851
NET CASH PROVIDED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES	1,851
NET INCREASE IN CASH	\$3,228
CASH BALANCE  Beginning of Period  End of Period	8,835 12,063

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

# Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer LLC Statement of Changes in Member's Equity For the Year Ended December 31, 2018

Beginning Balance, December 31, 2018	\$ 13,428
2018 Contributions	1,851
2018 Net Loss	(605)
Ending Balance, December 31, 2018	\$ 14,674

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

# Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer LLC Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2018

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Organization and Description of Business: Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer, LLC (the "Company"), a limited liability company, was organized in June 2012 and became a broker-dealer in August 2013. The Company is a securities broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA").

The Company's primary business is brokerage of mutual funds and variable annuities, and it operates under the provisions of paragraph (k)(1) of Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The Company operates from an office located in Chattanooga, Tennessee and its customers are primarily in Tennessee, Georgia and North Carolina.

Accounting Policies: The Company follows Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), as established by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (the FASB), to ensure consistent reporting of financial condition, results of operation, and cash flows.

<u>Cash</u>: The Company maintains its cash balances at a high credit quality financial institution balances, at times, may exceed Federal insurance limits.

Income Taxes: The Company is a sole proprietorship for income tax reporting purposes. Income or losses flow through to the member and no income taxes are recorded in the accompanying financial statements.

The Company has adopted the provisions of FASB Accounting Standards Codification 740-10, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes. Under FASB ASC 740-10, the Company is required to evaluate each of its tax positions to determine if they are more likely than not to be sustained if the taxing authority examines the respective position. A tax position includes an entity's status, including its status as a pass-through entity, and the decision not to file a return. The Company has evaluated each of its tax positions and has determined that it has no uncertain tax positions for which a provision or liability for income taxes is necessary.

# Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer LLC Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2018

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES CONTINUED...

<u>Estimates</u>: Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Actual results could vary from the estimates that were assumed in preparing the financial statements.

Revenue Recognition: The Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) has issued a comprehensive new revenue recognition standard that supercedes most existing revenue recognition guidance under GAAP (FASB Accounting Standards Codification 606). The Company adopted this standard effective January 1st, 2018.

The standard's core principle is that an entity should recognize revenue when it transfers promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. ASU 2014-09 which prescribes a five-step process to accomplish this core principle, including:

- \* Identification of the contract with the customer;
- \* Identification of the performance obligation(s) under the contract;
- \* Determination of the transaction price;
- \* Allocation of the transaction price to the identified performance obligation(s); and
- \* Recognition of revenue as (or when) an entity satisfies the identified performance obligation(s)

Commissions from the sales of mutual funds and other securities are recognized upon the occurance of a transaction

Application of the standard in 2018, using the modified retrospective approach, has no effect on reported financial position, results of operations or related disclosures.

<u>Accounts Receivable</u>: Accounts receivable are non-interest bearing uncollateralized obligations receivable in accordance with the terms agreed upon with each mutual fund or insurance company.

The carrying amount of the accounts receivable is reduced by a valuation allowance that reflects management's best estimate of the amounts that will not be collected. Management individually reviews all deliquent accounts receivable balances and based on assessment of the current credit worthiness, estimates the portion, if any, of the balance that will not be collected. Generally, receivables are believed to be fully collectible; accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is reflected in the accompanying financial statements.

# Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer LLC Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2018

<u>Date of Management's Review</u>: Subsequent events were evaluated through the date the financial statements were issued.

NOTE B - NET CAPITAL

The Company, as a registered broker dealer is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1) which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1. At December 31, 2018 the Company had net capital of \$12,001 which was \$7,001 in excess of its required net capital of \$5,000 and its ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was .01 to 1.0.

NOTE C - RELATED PARTY

The Company has an expense sharing agreement with its Member. Under the terms of the agreement, the Company pays the Member for certain costs provided to the Company, primarily utility expenses for the office premise provided. The amount expensed for the year ended December 31, 2018 was approximately \$832. The balance due to the Member on the accompanying statement of financial condition arose from this agreement.

NOTE D - CONTINGENCIES

The Company is subject to litigation in the normal course of business. The Company has no litigation in progress in December 31, 2018.

**NOTE E - CONCENTRATIONS** 

The Company had one customer that represents approximately 84% of the total revenue for 2018.

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## Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer LLC

#### Schedule I

# Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities and Exchange Commission Act of 1934 As of December 31, 2018

#### **NET CAPITAL:**

Total Member's equity	\$	14,674
Less:		
Accounts Receivable from Brokers		(2,417)
Prepaid Expenses	************	(256)
Net Capital Before haircuts		12,001
Less haircuts		
Net Capital	***************************************	12,001
Minimum Net Capital Required		5,000
Excess Net Capital	*********	7,001
Aggregate Indebtedness		62
Minimum Net Capital Required Based on Aggregate Indebtedness	\$	4
Ratio of Aggregate Indebtedness to net capital	.01	to 1.0

RECONCILIATION WITH COMPANY'S COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL INCLUDED IN PART IIA OF AMENDED FORM X-17a-5 AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018

There is no significant difference between net capital as reported on Form X-17A-5 and net capital as computed above.

### **Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer LLC**

### Schedule II

COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS
UNDER RULE 15C3-3 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018

The Company is exempt from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, pursuant to paragraph (k)(1) of the rule.

### **Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer LLC**

### Schedule III

INFORMATION RELATING TO THE POSSESSION OR CONTROL REQUIREMENTS UNDER RULE 15C3-3 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018

The company is exempt from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, pursuant to paragraph (k)(1) of the rule.

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### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Member of Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer, LLC

We have reviewed management's statements, included in the accompanying Broker Dealers Annual Exemption Report in which (1) Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer, LLC identified the following provisions of 17 C.F.R. § 15c3-3(k) under which Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer, LLC claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3: (k)(1) (the "exemption provisions"); and, (2) Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer, LLC stated that Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer, LLC met the identified exemption provisions throughout the most recent fiscal year without exception. Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer, LLC's management is responsible for compliance with the exemption provisions and its statements.

Our review was conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and, accordingly, included inquiries and other required procedures to obtain evidence about Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer, LLC's compliance with the exemption provisions. A review is substantially less in scope than an examination, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on management's statements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to management's statements referred to above for them to be fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the provisions set forth in paragraph (k)(1), of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

February 22, 2018 Atlanta, GA

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### Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer LLC 1308 Dallas Road Chattanooga, TN 37405

E-Mail cbikas@asbdllc.com

Cell Phone (423) 580-4307

February 7th, 2019

VIA Mail

RUBIO CPA, PC Certified Public Accountants 900 Circle 75 Parkway Suite 1100 Atlanta, GA 30339

RE: Exemption Report Requirement for 2018 Annual Audit.

Dear Mr. Rubio,

Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer, LLC claims an exemption from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, pursuant to paragraph (k)(2)(1) of the Rule.

Advanced Strategies Broker Dealer, LLC met the aforementioned exemption provisions throughout the most recent year ended December 31, 2018 without exception.

Respectfully Yours,

Charles Bikas

Managing Member